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House Bill _____
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Senate No. SB1848
By Carter

AN ACT to amend Chapter 54 of the Private Acts of 1983, as amended by Chapter 185 of the Private Acts of 1986, and any other acts amendatory thereto relative to the Madison County Sheriff's Department Civil Service System.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Section 5 of Chapter 54 of the Private Acts of 1983, as amended by Chapter 185 of the Private Acts of 1986, and all other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting the second paragraph and substituting instead the following:

The examination may be written or practical and shall be prepared by the commission on advice of the sheriff, and shall be a comprehensive examination related to the field which it covers. The commission shall regularly hold competitive examinations for classified positions; such examinations shall be offered annually to any applicant and more often as necessary. The commission shall cause a notice to appear not less than thirty (30) days prior to the date set for such examination, and the notice shall contain a brief statement of classified position or positions for which examinations will be held, a brief statement of the subjects upon which the applicants will be examined, the time and place of the examination and the duties required by such

classified position. The commission shall prepare a list of those persons declared qualified for each classified position, in the order of their excellence as determined by the examination. If a vacancy occurs in a classified position, and upon the request from the sheriff, the commission shall certify to the sheriff the names of those persons qualified for such vacancy. The sheriff may select any one (1) of those persons for the classified position. Each classified position in the department, except detention specialist and deputy shall be filled by a promotion by the sheriff from a holder of a classified position. Deputized clerical and office staff shall be appointed by the sheriff.

SECTION 2. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to that end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 3. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the county legislative body of Madison County. Its approval or non-approval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the county legislative body and certified to the Secretary of State.

SECTION 4. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall become effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes it shall become effective upon being approved as provided by Section 3.

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